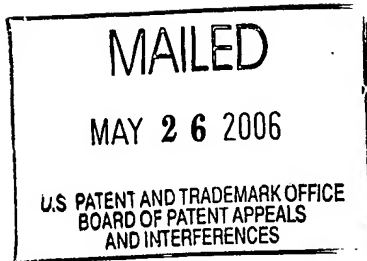


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS  
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Ex parte RICHARD PAUL TARQUINI

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Application No. 10/003,747

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ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

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This application was electronically received at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on April 5, 2006. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matters requiring attention prior to docketing are identified below:

On December 9, 2005, appellant filed an Appeal Brief. In response to appellant's Brief, the examiner mailed an Examiner's Answer on January 26, 2006. Subsequently, appellant filed an amended Appeal Brief on March 16, 2006. A review of the application reveals that the examiner has not entered a Supplement Examiner's Answer in response to appellant's amended Appeal Brief filed March 16, 2006.

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Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the examiner to respond to appellant's amended Appeal Brief filed on March 16, 2006 by submitting a Supplemental Examiner's Answer, and for such further action as may be appropriate.

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